



# Neighborhood Association Monthly Report

November 2022  
City of South Bend

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

-Margaret Mead

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



### Undesign the Redline

The South Bend Financial Empowerment Team would like to invite you to the full launch of the Undesign the Redline exhibit on Wednesday, Dec 12, 2022 at 5pm at the St. Joseph County Public Library Main Branch located at 304 S Main Street.

The Undesign the Redline exhibit will display the national and local impacts of redlining on the South Bend community. Register for this event below.

If you have any questions or need to request accommodations, please do not hesitate to reach out to [eee@southbendin.gov](mailto:eee@southbendin.gov)



## Neighborhood Ignite Grant

**Time is Up!** -The City of South Bend's Engagement and Economic Empowerment team offered grants to neighborhood associations to create and expand ways for residents to engage, connect, and grow. Sample projects were expanded tree coverage, park enhancements or public art. The funds will provide for small neighborhood-based projects with community-wide benefit. **A new round of applications will be available in May 2023!**

For questions or to receive future emails about the 2023 Ignite Grant email [eee@southbendin.gov](mailto:eee@southbendin.gov) or go to [www.southbendin.gov/eee](http://www.southbendin.gov/eee)

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## Neighborhood Association Updates



NEIGHBORHOOD	UPDATE
<b>KENNEDY PARK</b>	No update at this time.
<b>RIVER PARK</b>	Held elections, applied for Ignite Grant.
<b>MIAMI VILLAGE</b>	Ignite Grant proposal submitted, SB 2045 listening session held in neighborhood.
<b>FAR NORTHWEST</b>	Planning Ignite Grant Proposal.
<b>NEAR WEST SIDE</b>	Held Holiday Party November 29th. Submitted Ignite Grant application.
<b>MONROE PARK</b>	Neighborhood caroling in December. Submitted Ignite Grant application.
<b>LINCOLN BENDIX</b>	Submitted an Ignite Grant application.
<b>NENC</b>	Working on Ignite Grant application.
<b>RUM VILLAGE</b>	Holiday Giveaway with local nonprofit, planning for Ignite Grant.
<b>NNN</b>	Applied for Ignite Grant. Meeting Canceled.
<b>SOAR</b>	Ribbon cutting at the United Way Center December 5rd.
<b>LaSalle Park</b>	Applied for Ignite Grant.



NEIGHBORHOOD	UPDATE
Lincolnway NFC	Canceled November meeting. No updates at this time. Working on spring Ignite Grant application.
Mckinley Terrace	Held successful inaugural November meeting at Tree of Life Church.
Northshore Triangle	Applied for Ignite Grant.
Edgewater	Representatives attended neighborhood workshops in November. Held meeting at Howard Park.
Twyckenham Hills	No updates at this time.
Chapin Park	Starting recirculation of neighborhood newsletter!

# Your Neighborhood Here



For questions about getting your neighborhood included contact the Engagement team at [eee@southbendin.gov](mailto:eee@southbendin.gov) or go to [www.southbendin.gov/eee](http://www.southbendin.gov/eee)



## Neighborhoods Consortium

The next Neighborhoods Consortium will be held on January 11th at the TRC. Representatives from 14+ neighborhood associations will join the Mayor and other city representatives to discuss the city's plans for 2023 and neighborhood feedback. For questions or more information contact [eee@southbendin.gov](mailto:eee@southbendin.gov).



## Neighborhood Plan Updates

**Monroe Park/Edgewater** - Planning workshops were held on Thursday, November 3rd from 10am to 6pm & Thursday, Nov 10th at 6pm at Howard Park.

**Congratulations** to Rum Village, Kennedy Park, Near West Side and the Northwest Neighborhood for new adopted plans in 2022! See [together.southbendin.gov](https://together.southbendin.gov) for more information or to download the plans.



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## HIGHLIGHTED RESOURCES

### Supporting South Bend

Did you know the City of South Bend has a website dedicated to helping the community locate important resources? Everything from assistance for childcare, rent and utilities to free WIFI and free golf.

You can find it by searching "Supporting South Bend" in your web browser, typing [www.southbendin.gov/support](https://www.southbendin.gov/support), or clicking the button below.

[Click For Supporting South Bend](https://www.southbendin.gov/support)

### More Neighborhood Resources

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Thank you for helping build the 2023 budget. View the feedback report or learn more here:

**2023 Budget Feedback  
Report**

**Learn more**

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The City of South Bend has announced a new round of workforce development training courses provided by Purdue Manufacturing Extension Partnership. The Pathways program assists workers from South Bend manufacturing companies with career training, improving employees' skills and providing them with advancement opportunities with local manufacturers. More about the Purdue MEP trainings and how to apply can be found [HERE](#).



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A new Sewer Lateral Reimbursement Program will offer a reimbursement up to \$20,000 for qualified costs of connecting the sewer lateral to new low- and moderate-income homes. This funding may be used to cover the cost of the entire sewer lateral from the main line to the residential structure. Qualifying costs for reimbursement include labor, materials, traffic control, and restoration of pavement, curbs and sidewalks related to the sewer lateral work. Subject to the respective approvals by the Common Council and Board of Public Works, both the revised System Development Charges and the Sewer Lateral Reimbursement Program will be active by mid-July.



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Check out the November newsletter from South Bend's Technology Resource Center (TRC) [HERE](#) to learn more about their programs.

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Winter is here and DTSB is ready to Celebrate Winter! Visit DTSB's [website](#) for a complete list of all the activities planned .



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The South Bend Police Department has offered to send an officer to neighborhood association meetings (or attend virtually), per request. If interested, or if you have questions or concerns, please contact Chief of Police, [Scott Ruszkowski](#) or Patrol Division Chief, [Eric Crittendon](#).

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**UPCOMING EVENTS &**

# PROGRAMS

## Solve South Bend

**TRC TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CENTER**

Scan to learn  
more &  
Register!



**Join us at the TRC for a collaborative brainstorming competition to solve South Bend specific problems!**

We are partnering with the Department of Community Investment to create solutions to issues such as housing costs, appraisal gaps, and sustainable development in the South Bend area.



- Individuals from any profession, as well as students, are welcome to apply.
- Individuals may sign up as a solo entrant or with a partner. Teams will be created by program staff of 3-5 people; partners will be placed on a team together.
- Prizes will be awarded to the winning teams!

**Applications due:** Jan 6th

**Kickoff Event:** Jan 12th, 5:30 - 6:30 PM

**Optional Work Sessions:** Jan 17, 19, 24, 26

**Judging:** Jan 28, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM



## 2023 Small Developer Seminar #1

Join us January 21st for **Building South Bend: A workshop on rebuilding our neighborhoods one sustainable step at a time**

January 21st - Center For Civic Innovation, 1045 W Washington, South Bend – 9:00am - 12:00pm

**The fundamentals of neighborhood dealmaking: Farming, Finance, and Form**

Join townmakers Monte Anderson and Bernice Radle as they discuss the fundamentals of finding your development farm, investing in the community, and taking the critical steps of working with banks, neighbors, contractors, and the ecosystem of support needed for successful project development.

**How to Build a “Pretty Good House”: Making Green Affordable**



Explore a common sense approach to building and retrofitting energy efficient and environmentally friendly homes with sustainable building expert Chris Briley, co-author of the new book *Pretty Good House*.

[Sign Up Here](#)

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## LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)

**Are you struggling to pay your energy or water bill?**

You may be qualified to receive federal funding to help pay some of your bills this winter. The Low-Income Household Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a federally funded program to help Indiana residents pay their utility bills and prevent utility shut offs.



[Apply Now](#)

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## Upskill South Bend

We are excited to announce the launch of Upskill SB, a program focused on helping those who live or work in South Bend earn high-demand, industry-accredited certifications that can open the door to new career opportunities, pay increases, and competitive job applications. Upskill SB can provide a pathway to these certifications at minimal or no cost to you!

Applications for our Spring Cohort (Jan-Apr) are now rolling and will close by December 11th, 2022.

[Visit our website](#)



# ACCELERATE YOUR LEARNING



Helping you get trained and certified in high-demand professional, manufacturing, or clinical positions.

South Bend residents and workers are now eligible to enroll.

## Why become certified?

Becoming industry-certified offers professionals new career opportunities or five-figure pay increases ahead of your peers.

## How it works:

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| <b>Train/study</b>      | Complete a certification by going through classroom or self-study program of your choice |
| <b>Scholarships</b>     | Exams and training are partially to fully reimbursed                                     |
| <b>Learning support</b> | Cohort programming and 1:1 check-ins   |

## Apply today

[southbendin.gov/upskillSB](https://southbendin.gov/upskillSB)

The advertisement features a background image of hands pointing at a transit map. Overlaid on the right is a dark blue vertical banner with white text. At the top left of the banner is the "CONNECT" logo with the tagline "MOVING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER". The main headline reads "Changes are Coming!". Below this, it says "A proposed Draft Plan is ready for you to review!". At the bottom of the banner, it says "Take our Draft Recommendations Survey to share your input!". On the far right, the website "www.connecttransitplan.com" is written vertically. On the left side of the banner, logos for "transpo", "TROLLEY", and "MACOG" are listed vertically.

**CONNECT**  
MOVING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

# Changes are Coming!

A proposed Draft Plan is ready for you to review!

Take our **Draft Recommendations Survey** to share your input!

[www.connecttransitplan.com](https://www.connecttransitplan.com)

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TROLLEY  
MACOG

Are we willing to pay for transit access that can transform people's lives and the quality of place? The Michiana Area Council of Governments (MACOG) and the South Bend Public Transportation Corporation (Transpo) want the community to help decide if the draft recommendations make transit more useful by responding to the two funding scenarios that result in short-term improvements and future investments.

## Draft Report Virtual Presentation & Live Stream

Monday, December 12, 2022, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Via Zoom, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84895766637>

+1 646 876 9923, Webinar ID: 848 9576 6637

## South Bend Open House

St. Joe County Public Library, Community Learning Center, Ballroom A&B

305 S. Michigan St. South Bend, IN 46601

Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

### Upcoming Events

## Climate Action Ambassador Program

**The Office of Sustainability is recruiting 15 local leaders to serve as Climate Action Ambassadors for the City of South Bend.**

Climate Action Ambassadors will facilitate conversations with the community to help prepare for climate change and contribute to the next update of South Bend's Climate Action Plan. Ambassadors will receive a \$250 stipend for their time and participation in the program, which, in addition to leading a Climate Action Survey Session, will require attending:

1. An introductory Zoom call
2. A two-hour environmental justice training
3. One debrief session with other Climate Action Ambassadors.

**Apply Now**

## SOUTH BEND SMART BUSINESSES RECYCLE

The Smart Businesses Recycle is a pilot program to assist businesses to start a single-stream recycling service\*, improve their recycling capabilities, and reduce waste through targeted incentives.

**Learn more**

**Apply Now**

Join South Bend's Commercial Recycling Pilot Program!



**SMART BUSINESSES RECYCLE**

**Participate for the Opportunity to**

- Receive **incentives \$\$\$** for
  - Starting a single-stream recycling service
  - Reducing waste
  - Removing barriers to recycling
- **Save money** by assessing and minimizing your waste stream
- **Reduce your impact** on the environment
- **Be a business leader** in sustainability in South Bend



**Learn more and apply here:**  
[www.southbendin.gov/commercialrecycling](http://www.southbendin.gov/commercialrecycling)

## AARP Age Friendly Survey

The City of South Bend and St. Joseph County held a Listening Session on **Friday, November 4 from 10-11:30 a.m.** at the **Charles Martin Youth Center** where the session focused on outdoor spaces and buildings, **one of AARP's designated "8 Domains of Livability."**





**South Bend Regional AARP Age-Friendly Initiative**

**COFFEE AND DONUTS LISTENING SESSION**

**NOVEMBER 4TH**

at Charles Martin Youth Center (802 Lincoln Way W, South Bend, IN 46616)  
10:00am - 11:30am

**Theme: "Outdoor Spaces and Buildings"**

**With Special Guests**  
Mayor James Mueller  
County Commissioner Deborah Fleming  
AARP Representative Addison Pollock  
Local government staff & other elected officials

Logos for South Bend, Indiana, AARP, and St. Joseph County are at the bottom.

Mayor James Mueller, County Commissioner Deborah Fleming, Indiana AARP representative Addison Pollock, City and County staff, and other local elected officials were in attendance.

[Learn More](#)

## Lead Safe South Bend

The City of South Bend has grants available to assist making your home lead safe. Eligible households can apply to have lead safe repairs completed, up to \$20,000, by qualified contractors at no cost to you!

[Click For Lead Safe South Bend Information](#)



[Click for more information about the Canopy Tree program](#)

## Community Canopy Tree Program.

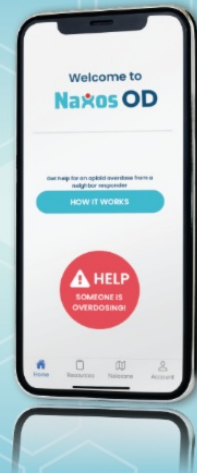
Help beautify your neighborhood with this free program from SBVPA. South Bend is excited to make it easier on individuals to give back to the environment and create a healthier city. The program only allows trees to be planted on city public right-of-way between the curb and sidewalk (tree lawn). The tree may be up to 10 feet from the curb if no sidewalk exists.

Additional questions about the program? Please contact our Forester at 574-299-4766.



# Naxos OD

Making Connections, Saving Lives



Naxos Neighbors provides opioid overdose bystanders with an anonymous, one-button press to connect with trained neighbor responders, ready to administer naloxone and provide immediate connections to harm reduction and treatment resources. They are now piloting in the South Bend, IN area.

[Download Now](#)

[More Info](#)

## Age Friendly Survey

Are you **50** or over? The City of South Bend wants to hear your opinion on how we can become a more age-friendly city! To complete the survey click the button to below.

[Age Friendly City Survey](#)

## Snow Removal

Property owners and residents are urged to do their best to keep their sidewalks near their property shoveled.

Owners or occupants of properties must remove snow and ice from the public sidewalk within 24 hours after the end of any accumulation of snow or ice.

[Snow Removal Info](#)



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